

Self Rule Plan Is Offered by Irish Convention

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HAIG WINS AGAIN AT MESSINES; LOSES VILLAGE BEYOND LAWE

IRISH CONVENTION CALLS FOR NATIONAL PARLIAMENT, ULSTER ALONE DISSENTING

Double Chamber System to
Handle All Internal Affairs
Proposed in Report.

LEAVES OUT CUSTOMS.

Plunkett Urges Legislation at
Once Based on Majority
Recommendations.

LONDON, April 12.—The plan for
proposed self-government of Ireland
was adopted by the Irish Convention,
160 to 42, it was officially reported by
that body to-day.

The convention report provides for
the establishment of a Parliament for
the whole of Ireland, with full power
for all internal legislation, adminis-
tration and direct taxation. Self-
government, the report says, is to be-
come a law immediately.

The Ulsterites filed a dissenting
minority report.

The Parliament, according to the
majority report, will consist of a Sen-
ate of sixty-four members and a
House of Commons of 200 members.
The Senate will be representative of
commerce, industry, labor, county
councils, churches, universities and
the peerage.

The Nationalists agreed to guar-
antee the Ulsterists 10 per cent. of
the membership in Commons.

CUSTOMS CONTROL PROBLEM
DEFERRED FOR PRESENT.

The question of ultimate control of
the customs excise was postponed.
Meantime it will be controlled by the
imperial parliament, but the entire
proceeds of these taxes will be paid
into the Irish treasury.

The majority report declared the
convention voted 54 to 17 that any
conscriptive measure must be sub-
mitted to the Irish parliament before
it can be enforced.

The convention laid the foundation
for an agreement on the Irish ques-
tion which is unprecedented in history.
Sir Horace Plunkett, chairman of
the convention, says in a letter
accompanying the report.

The difficulties of the convention,
Sir Horace remarks, may be summed
up in two words—Ulster and the cus-
toms.

"We had every reason to believe the
Government contemplated immediate
legislation upon the results of our
labor," says Sir Horace. "The work
of an Irish settlement, it is now felt,
admits of no further postponement.
In the dominions and the United
States, as well as the Allied countries,
the unsettled Irish question is a dis-
turbance factor, both as regards war
effort and peace aims."

PLUNKETT URGES ENACTMENT
OF MAJORITY PLAN.

After every possibility of an agree-
ment had been explored, Sir Horace
writes, he was instructed to draft
a report which would be a narrative
of the convention's proceedings, with
a statement from the Govern-
ment's information of the conclusions
adopted unanimously or by a major-
ity. This draft of the report was
adopted by a majority. The issue
of minority reports by the Ulster
Unionists and a minority of National-
ists has minimized the agreement
reached and emphasized the dis-
agreement.

The convention did not find it pos-

IRISH DROP FIGHT FOR HOME RULE TO BEAT CONSCRIPTION

Dillon Called on to Bargain
With Government—Volun-
tary Recruiting Urged.

LONDON, April 12.—Promise of a
Home Rule Bill by the Government
has not had the smallest effect in
easing the way to conscription in Ire-
land, according to special despatches
from Dublin. The Unionists will not
sit quiet and allow the bill to be
rushed through and the Nationalists
are more concerned in the defeat of
conscription than in obtaining home
rule. In consequence, the situation
as regards home rule at present is
that nobody wants it.

Meanwhile, the Irish Times, which
in the past clamored for conscription
and Wednesday endorsed the resolu-
tion of Ulster Unionists in Parlia-
ment accepting it, yesterday invited
John Dillon to make a bargain with
the Government.

The Irish Times suggests that in
the six weeks before the machinery
for conscription can be in working
order the Nationalists should under-
take to raise seven divisions by volun-
tary recruiting—a result which, it
says, should persuade the Govern-
ment to abstain from enforcing con-
scription.

W. F. O'Connor, High Sheriff for
the City of Cork, has requested that
he be relieved of his duties as a pro-
test against conscription. John Dooley,
Irish party candidate for Parlia-
ment in North Kins County, at the
request of his supporters, has decided
to contest the seat against the Sinn
Fein candidate, although he was con-
fident of winning. Mr. Dillon is said
to have sent him a message advis-
ing him to abandon the contest.

By order of the military authorities
the Belfast Evening Telegram was
suspended yesterday, owing to the
publication in Tuesday's edition of a
report regarding the decisions of the
Irish convention, which had been pro-
hibited in advance of official publi-
cation.

ENGLAND RUSHING TANKS TO IRELAND, SAYS DILLON

Also Sending Machine Guns from
Battle Front, Declares Nationalist
Denouncing Conscription.

LONDON, April 12.—John Dillon,
Irish Nationalist leader, in the House
of Commons yesterday said he understood
that motor cars, machine guns and
tanks already had been shipped and were
being sent from the battlefront to Ire-
land. Mr. Dillon pleaded
strongly against what he termed the
Government's "quillotine Ireland."

TOTAL FOR N. Y. DISTRICT IN GREAT LOAN DRIVE NOW EXCEEDS \$200,000,000

Morning Report Shows Jump
of Nearly \$18,000,000
Over Previous Day.

The registered bond sales of the
Third Liberty Loan for to-day, up to
the last official announcement at 2:30
o'clock, was \$20,761,000.

The total of the Second Federal Re-
serve District, which is New York's,
for the five days' drive up to that hour
stands at \$201,000,000.

Not only is this far in advance of
the millions brought in during a simi-
lar period of last time in the Second
Loan—\$87,549,900 was the total of four
days on that occasion—but the Sec-
ond Federal District, which includes
New York City, is doing something
more.

It has subscribed, so far, to
more than one-half the total of
all the subscriptions made in the
United States and its possessions.
With two districts still to be heard
from, the central garrison of all the
great drive down in Washington an-
nounces that the whole country's con-
tribution to Uncle Sam's war chest
now stands at \$275,219,000. Even
those two missing districts cannot cut
down New York's fifty per cent. lead,
the local Liberty Loan Committee be-
lieves.

The managers of that committee
attribute the great success of the loan
in this Second District to organiza-
tion—and the enthusiasm of the peo-
ple. Through the untiring efforts of
the Distribution Committee more than
250,000 workers are now busy in the
Second District piling up the little
integers which spell millions by the
hundred.

The Liberty Loan Committee re-
ceived positive assurance from Sec-
retary of the Navy Daniels to-day
that he would be present to-morrow
night at the official opening of "Lib-
erty Land" in the 9th Regiment
armory. The promised presence of
Secretary Daniels has spurred the
Committee to making this event the
biggest of the week. The new 6th
Regiment State Guard will parade
at full strength at Pennsylvania Sta-
tion to meet the Secretary and es-
cort him to the Armory. Besides Mr.
Daniels an imposing list of speakers
will point the urgency of buying Lib-
erty Bonds.

In the first hour of to-day's drive
reports of subscriptions amounting to
\$2,511,999 came into the Liberty Loan
Committee pretty nearly a record
hour since its initial burst of speed
was registered at the opening of the
loan last Saturday. Here are some of
the biggest subscriptions received:

Underwood Typewriter Company,
\$500,000.
Central Leather Company, \$250,000.
H. Dues & Co., \$100,000.
H. B. Rosen, \$100,000.
Eagle Penell Company, \$100,000.
William Iselin & Co., \$100,000.
William Wray & Co., \$100,000.
North Side Savings Bank, \$50,000.
Henry Hyde, Jr., \$50,000.
Maximilian Stern, \$50,000.
Armand Harer, \$25,000.
S. Rosen & Sons, \$25,000.
J. L. Rubenstein, \$25,000.
M. L. Morgenstern, \$25,000.
E. Greenfield Sons, \$25,000.
Meyer Candy Company, \$25,000.
Wood & Selig, \$25,000.
Hawley & Hoopes, \$25,000.
H. Braun, \$25,000.
Louis Hunkel, \$25,000.
Joseph S. Auerbach, \$25,000.
Borden's Milk Company, \$25,000.

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FAIRBANKS' DENIAL DOESN'T RING TRUE, DECLARES HIS WIFE

Intimates She Won't Sacrifice
Herself Further for His
and Idol's Sake.

Douglas Fairbanks's statement, made
in Detroit last night, that the story
of an estrangement between himself
and his wife was "German propa-
ganda" and entirely false stung Mrs.
Fairbanks into naming names and
threatening to reconsider her first at-
titude of quiet self-effacement when
a reporter from The Evening World
talked with her in her apartments at
the Hotel Algonquin to-day.

The wife of the famous screen star
intimated very broadly that if Fair-
banks and the popular idol of the
film whom she named as the present
possessor of Fairbanks's heart do not
admit their love for one another and
cease "denying the obvious"—the
words are Mrs. Fairbanks's—she will
not be content to sacrifice herself
further for their sakes.

"She has told her friends and her
mother that her love for Douglas is
the biggest love of her life," said
Mrs. Fairbanks, "and if she does not
play the game fairly I will provide
evidence to prove these statements."
When Mrs. Fairbanks read the de-
spatch from Detroit, wherein her hus-
band was quoted as saying that the
story of their estrangement was a
German plot to destroy the value of
the work he is doing for the Liberty
Loan, her eyes snapped and she com-
pressed her lips into a thin line.

"I am big enough, I believe, to step
aside and allow my husband and the
one he loves better than me to carry
on their affair," she said. "I am not
an emotional woman, but there is a
limit to one's endurance. These de-
nials by my husband and by the wom-
an in the case do not ring true; it is
not playing the game."

ARCHIE ROOSEVELT IN PARIS HOSPITAL

Wounded Captain Removed from
Field Station Where He
Operated On.

PARIS, April 12.—Archie R. Ro-
osevelt, who was wounded in World
War I, has been transferred to a
field hospital near the front to-day.
The hospital is located in a village
near the American lines.

GOODBY, SUNDAY BALL.

Assembly Rules Committee Decides
to Pledgehole Bill.

ALBANY, April 12.—Without fail-
ing a formal vote, the Assembly Rules
Committee to-day decided on the
Lawson bill, which would amend
professional personal names in the
afternoon. This action, which moved
the death of the measure, which pre-
viously had passed the Senate.

LONG RANGE SHELL EXPLODES IN PARIS MATERNITY HOSPITAL; KILLS THREE, WOUNDS ELEVEN

Thirty Women With Babies in Foundling
Asylum When German Charge Strikes—
Mothers, Infants and Nurses Victims.

PARIS, April 12.—A shell fired by the German long-range cannon
yesterday struck a foundling asylum in the Rue De La Croche,
in the Montrouge district, on the southern outskirts of Paris, and
three persons there were killed and eleven wounded. Within the hospi-
tal were thirty women with new-born babies. One maternity nurse, one
patient and one baby were killed, while two probationers, six women
patients and three infants were injured.

The building is two stories high and the shell entered on the ground
floor and burst in the middle of a ward. Had it come a half hour
earlier it would have made many more victims, for it was visitors' day
and friends of the patients had just left.

Another shell struck an open air bowling alley and killed a man
and boy and wounded ten other persons.

The Germans renewed this morning their long range bombardment
of Paris.

TANKER WITH 39 ABOARD AGROUND; CALLS FOR HELP

Steamship Courier in Distress in
Nantucket Sound Near Ragged
Reef, Says Wireless.

The tank steamship Courier, 2,869
tons, owned by the Gulf Refining
Company, No. 21 State Street, is
grounded and in distress in Nan-
tucket Sound near Ragged Reef, off
Point Rip, according to a wireless
message to the company this after-
noon.

The vessel, commanded by Capt.
Wahl and manned by a crew of
thirty-eight, was en route to Bayonne,
New Jersey, from Boston.

The Coast Guard authorities were
appealed to, and a cutter was sent
from Boston.

Efforts to get further information
by telephone and telegraph failed
because wires are down.

TURKS AND GERMANS OPEN NEW PALESTINE OFFENSIVE

London War Office Reports Attack
on the British Front Near
the Coast.

LONDON, April 12.—The Turkish and
German forces in Palestine on Wednes-
day opened an offensive, attacking the
British front near the coast, the War
Office announced.

PROFESSOR IS SEIZED WITH SOLDIER'S WIFE

Chicago University Lecturer, 55,
and Companion of 24, May Face
Mann Act Charges.

CHICAGO, April 12.—Hinton G. Cla-
baugh, chief of the local bureau of
the Department of Justice, to-day an-
nounced that his agents last night
took into custody Dr. William Isaac
Thomas of the faculty of the Univer-
sity of Chicago, and a woman said to
be the wife of a Texas man now in
prison with them.

Mr. Clabaugh said he had turned over
to United States District Attorney
Clegg evidence for the institution of
charges of violating the Mann Act. Dr.
Thomas and the woman, who said she
was Mrs. R. M. Granger of Washington,
D. C., are alleged to have registered to-
gether at a downtown hotel as from
Gary, Ind. According to Mr. Clabaugh,
Dr. Thomas said: "I love her and I
don't care if the whole world knows it."

Dr. Thomas is fifty-five years old,
married and has grown children. Mrs.
Thomas was one of the founders of the
Woman's Peace Party. Mrs. Granger is
twenty-four and was a divorcee. Dr.
Thomas for some time was push-
ing a demand for his lectures on sociology
and the relation of sex thereto.

BRITISH GAIN AT GIVENCHY; REPULSE THREE ATTACKS; SOMME BATTLE RENEWED

Germans Capture Merville, Three
Miles Beyond Lawe and Southwest
of Armentieres, and Make Small
Gain Northwest of That Town.

LONDON, April 12.—German troops made a determined attack
along the Messines Ridge and succeeded in gaining some ground, says a
Reuter despatch from British Army Headquarters in France and Belgium,
but the British once again drove them put by a counter attack early this
morning.

Three attacks which the enemy launched yesterday in great waves
near Ville Cnapelle, five miles northwest of Givenchy, were repulsed
with immense losses to the Germans. The ground was strewn with their
corpses.

The Germans are developing great artillery activity in the southern
area, the Bray-Corble road along the Somme is being fiercely shelled,
heralding, it is believed, further infantry action in that sector.

This morning, east of Ploegsteert, there was a terrific German bom-
bardment.

A German officer, taken prisoner, declared the Germans were
ordered to capture Amiens to-day at all costs.

Some of the hardest fighting to-day is along the line from the
British centre west of the Lawe River and extending six or seven miles
southeast and east to Guinchy, just north of La Bassée Canal.

Gen. Haig reports that the British by a counter-attack regained their
positions north of Festubert, a mile north of Givenchy, into part of which
the enemy had forced its way.

Beyond Festubert the Germans pressed forward and captured Mer-
ville, making a gain of three miles.

The London evening newspapers in reviewing the situation on the
Western front state that in the Wytschaete region the Germans failed
to get the crest of the ridge. The Germans lost very heavily in their
attacks at Wytschaete and Messines Ridge.

At least seventeen divisions, about 200,000 men, are engaged on the
German side on the front from Hollebeke to Givenchy.

HAIG ANNOUNCES LOSS OF MERVILLE

Following is the text of the British War Office report:
"Severe and continuous fighting took place last night in the
neighborhood of Merville and Neufberquin, in both of which
localities the enemy is continuing his pressure and has made prog-
ress. Merville was captured by the enemy during the night.

"Attacks made by the enemy yesterday in the neighborhood
of Ploegsteert succeeded, after heavy fighting, in pressing our
troops back to the neighborhood of Neuve Eglise to new positions.

"On the remainder of the northern battlefield the situation
is substantially unchanged. A part of our positions into which the
enemy forced his way north of Festubert was regained by a coun-
ter attack. On the front between Loins and the Lawe River and
to the north hostile attacks have been repulsed. Fighting is con-
tinuing on the whole front north of La Bassée Canal as far as
Hollebeke.

"South of Arras strong local attacks were made by the enemy
yesterday against our positions in the neighborhood of Neuville-
Vivaise and were repulsed in each case.

"Further north the enemy succeeded after prolonged fighting in
entering one of our posts near Tilloy-Les-Mofflaines but he at once
was driven out and the post re-established.

"The hostile artillery has shown increased activity astride the
River Somme."

FRENCH MAKE RAIDS; BRING BACK PRISONERS.

PARIS, April 12.—Following is the statement issued to-day by the
War Office:

"The artillery battle became rather violent during the night in
the region of Hangard-En-Santerre.

"French patrols developed activity in the sector between Noyon
and Canny-Sur-Matz. The French took a number of prisoners.

"Spirited bombardments were carried on in the region of the
Oise Canal and the Forest of Parroy. The French successfully

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